

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3700
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2001
IMPORTING PLANT MATERIALS AT HYDERABAD
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has urged the Union Government for providing of infrastructure and staff at Hyderabad airport for importing plants materials;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government have notified Hyderabad airport as plant quarantine fumigation station;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has urged the Union Government to establish a Plant Quarantine & Fumigation Station at Hyderabad for import of plants and plant materials.

(c) to (e) The Hyderabad airport is not notified for the import of plants and plant materials for sowing/propagation. In view of the trade requirements and plant quarantine risks involved in import of plants and plant materials from abroad, a plant quarantine station was set up at Hyderabad Airport during 1978. Since its inception, the station has been undertaking inspection/treatment of the imported plants and plant materials for consumption purpose only.